

## SAILORS FIGHT FOR FIGHTING BOB EVANS.

Contest Waxes Fierce for Gomez's Sword at the Cuban Fair.

Men from the Indiana Boom Their Favorite Until All Their Money Is Gone—Hijas de Cuba.

THEFT ANNOYS HIJAS DE CUBA.

Constitution Which They Have Exhibited Stolen from Its Case—Incidents of the Madison Square Garden Bazaar.

Actors' Night at the Cuban-American Fair in Madison Square Garden might have been named sailors' night. A rollicking crowd of jolly tars in their natty blue uniforms and jaunty caps swarmed into the Garden early and stayed late. They owned the fair while they were there.

The eye of one fell upon the Journal's blackboard. There is recorded the list of candidates for the battle sword of General Gomez, which is how on the way from Cuba from the old warrior's own hand. Captain Robert McLean, of the Seventh, had 100 votes; Colonel E. V. Greene, of the Seventy-first, had 188, and General Fitzhugh Lee 150. "Fighting Bob" Evans only had 50 votes. The sailor boys were twenty strong, and all from the battleship Indiana. They started in to boom Captain "Bob," and did so with a vengeance. Not until their last vote was spent did the generous-hearted boys in blue give up the fight, and then they had their hero away up in the lead with 250 votes.

A little Cuban with a big mustache stood on a chair and fairly shrieked with the excitement of the moment. How the jack tars shouted when they saw the little Cuban!

The boys were Boatswain J. Dowling, J. V. Fuller, E. Schmidt, T. S. Areson, J. Donald, T. J. Shustloworth, C. Barnard, J. W. Garrett, C. Tresselt, C. Hotsburg, M. Merzweiler, T. Dally, F. Hamilton, E. M. Cranford, J. Everett, C. A. Goodwin, C. W. Borne, H. Dahlis and K. Klaball. The Spanish tormentors have not done

annoying the Cuban fair managers. Last night the Hijos de Cuba were thrown into a state of great excitement by the discovery that the original constitution of the Cuban Republic, which precious document had been loaned to them by the Government of the new nation, had been stolen from the Cuban prison in which it was exhibited. A reward has been offered for the return of the parchment.

The ladies of the various booths last night presented to Allen S. Williams, the popular agent of the fair, a diamond stud. Mr. Williams repaid them with the information that the Twelfth, Ninth and Twenty-second regiments will be at the bazaar in uniform to-night. To-morrow night the First Regiment Irish Volunteers will attend 1,000 strong.

There is a movement on foot to keep the fair open three days longer, with a 25-cent admission. By special request, also, the doors are now kept open until 11:45 each night, so that theatre goers may see the fair after the performances.

Pretty little Kitty Rampone, daughter of the bandmaster of the Old Guard Band, drove around in her tiny donkey cart and vied with brilliant Theresa Vaughn in popularity. Miss Vaughn, her sister, Mrs. Celia Matthews, Miss Fane, Princess Mariquita, "Little Deyo" and Minnie Ashley assisted Mrs. Rose Lee Gennys at the Cuban Gypsy Camp. Mrs. Pierre-Agramonte, at the babbo, or native hut, sold Cuban refreshments.

In the Woman's Congress last night, Mrs. James Fairman presided. The subject of discussion was "The Three Americas." The Cecilia Bradford Trio, Rev. Phoebe Hanford, Adelaide Lystra, Mrs. George Harold Cull and Besse Beckwith, entertained the assembled ladies. To-night the meeting will be in charge of Margherita Alvirra Hamm and Mrs. Lillie Mahon Siegfried will speak.

The Journal's big book of visitors to the fair contained these names yesterday, among others:

W. A. Johnson, Katzie Patch, George Holch, C. N. Morse, F. Morris, J. W. Bonto, Miss L. Pero, Adelaide Hernandez, Henrica Merlo, L. Merlo, Mrs. Deyo de Soares, Alfredo Merlo, Charles Desmond, Juan de Zamora, G. Clark Razzell, Dollie Johnston, Louisa de Agremon, Minnie Dreher, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Wendell, Harry Regal, E. J. Bliss, Charles W. Ayton, Mrs. Barrett H. Van Aken, Floy G. Goodrich, Emma Wallace Hopper, F. Holman, D. C. Forbes, John M. Price, Joseph Monte, Antonio Macco, J. H. Atwood, M. H. Alman, Edward F. Klein, Charles Everett, J. Lewis Colonger, E. J. Collins, W. J. Gottschew, J. A. Uimann, Kittle Rampone, Thomas J. Shustloworth, Frank Dally, C. A. Goodwin, E. M. Cranford, Frank Chambers, Edgar S. Worthing, Robert Emerson, Edward Scheffer, A. M. Griswold, James Moran, Marie S. Gonzalez, Nelson H. Romero, Lillian Butler, Dr. Alex. Gale, Vic-

tor H. Pallests, Mrs. Emeterio Zorrilla, Miss Zorrilla.

At 10:30 the sword contest stood as follows:

Captain Bob Evans	277
Captain Robert McLean	190
Colonel F. B. Green	188
General Fitzhugh Lee	180
Lieutenant Harry C. Dural	62
Colonel Dan Appleton	51
General Dan Stiles	50
General Howard Carroll	24
Captain Dave Wilson	18
Adjutant-General E. A. McAlpin	10
General Louis Fitzgerald	17
General W. D. Whipple	8
Major Roe	30
Major Sloan	5
General George W. Mindl	21
Colonel Chamney	9
General Horace Porter	9
Captain Leary	23
General Rager	4
Captain John O'Brien	5
Lieutenant George M. Bolden	4
General Nelson A. Miles	22
Major Bennett H. Tobey	2
Amos G. McCook	2
Colonel George W. Turner	3
General Bob O. Oliver	4
General E. McLevee	12
General C. J. Anderson	2

The art exhibition receives better patronage every night. Macmonnies' bronzes, "Diana," "Nathan Hale" and "Boy and Heron" are particularly fine. The best collection loaned is that of Eric Pape, a fine lot of Egyptian antiquities. A salon picture, "The Two Great Eras," of his, is greatly admired, and a bronze by Rodin, "A Modern Sphinx," is superb. George J. Zolnay's sculpture, "A Yankee Farm Hand," has been the subject of much favorable comment. To Cyril Garrett Davis great credit is due for his fine scheme of decorations in the garden and the concert hall. Every one notices the artist's work. He is in full charge of the art exhibit. G. Wilfred Pearce also has worked untiringly for its success.

To-night will be wheelman's night, and to-morrow military night.

The beautiful portrait of Miss Minnie Ashley, printed yesterday, was drawn from an excellent photograph by J. B. Falk.

### WHITTIER'S TOMB DESECRATED

Relic Hunters Mar the Headstone with Their Chisels.

Amesbury, Mass., May 28.—The headstone which marks the grave of John G. Whittier has been desecrated by relic hunters who, in their greed to secure a memento of the poet, have clipped small pieces off the marble.

The poet's grave lies at the foot of the family lot in Union Cemetery, and the headstone is the largest and handsomest in the lot. The edges of the stone appear to have been nicked with a chisel. Mr. Joseph Carland, cousin of the poet, speaks regretfully of the desecration of the headstone. Mr. Carland says in all probability the stone will have to be enclosed in a case to prevent further damage.



THE JOURNAL GIRL AT THE CUBAN FAIR.

### DEMOCRATIC CLUB HAS GOLDEN VIEWS.

It Comes Out Strong for Sound Money at Its Monthly Dinner.

Ex-Governor Flower Says Financial Men Fear the Equivocal Silence of McKinley.

#### HOPEFUL OF THE STATE TICKET.

Republicans Must Be Beaten in the Fall Elections in Order to Insure Home Rule for Greater New York.

The last monthly dinner for the season of the Democratic Club was given last night at the clubhouse, No. 617 Fifth avenue, and was made the occasion of putting the club on record on the currency question. The club is for the maintenance of the present gold standard, and will endeavor to have a gold plank incorporated in the Chicago platform.

Ex-Governor Roswell P. Flower presided and made a long address in favor of sound money. He made the prediction that defeat would surely be the portion of any party or candidate who should be against gold.

"The country has not yet recovered," said he, "from the effects of the panic of 1893, which was caused by unsound finance, and the principal reason why business prosperity is not restored lies in the general fear in financial circles, not only in this country, but in Europe, lest the soundness of our currency be successfully attacked by ill-advised legislation and the existing gold standard be replaced by a silver standard."

"This fear among financial men is increased by the fact that the leading Republican candidate for the Presidency is and is ardently supported by a large number of delegates elected to the National Republican Convention on the expectation that he will not veto a bill for the free coinage of silver, if such a measure should be sent to him as President by the next Congress."

The speaker then paid some attention to the Greater New York question. He said that although the greater city was an accomplished fact, much depended upon the nature of the charter which is yet to be drafted for the new metropolis. He pointed out that there was great danger of the new territory being ruled by State Commissioners. This he declared was the programme of the Republican leaders, and urged his hearers to exert themselves to elect a Democratic Assembly and Governor in order to insure home rule for the enlarged city.

John B. Stanchfield, who was the leader of the minority in the last Assembly, reviewed the work of the last Legislature and told of the good that the minority accomplished.

Other speeches were made by ex-Governor Waller, of Connecticut; Judge George M. Beebe, of Sullivan County; Judge Arnold and David McClure. Those present were all of the opinion that the Democratic State ticket should win next fall.

#### Appeal to Bishop Potter.

Bishop Potter and his Committee on Arbitration have been asked to try to settle the differences between Electrical Workers' Union No. 3 and Local Union No. 5, of the National Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. Several previous attempts at arbitration by representatives of the unions were failures.

#### Century Wheelmen Want a Prize.

The Century Wheelmen Club of this city are very confident that they will receive the prize in the forthcoming bicycle parade, on June 4. Their uniforms were made for them by Messrs. Herbrand, Heidelberg & Co., of this city, who make a specialty of bicycle suits. Their club suit is unusually tasty. It is green in color with the word "Century" in gilt on the collar. Those who have seen the suit are very confident that they will win and are offering odds about ten to one on the Century Club.

### RUSSIA'S RULERS HOLD A RECEPTION.

Thousands of Guests Meet the Czar and His Young Consort.

Many Americans Among Those Who Pay Their Respects to the Royal Couple.

#### VALUABLE PRESENTS RECEIVED.

Almost Priceless Imperial Treasures Received Costly Additions—Crown Jewels Displayed Before the Guests.

By Henry W. Fischer.

Moscow, May 28.—The Czar and Czarina received five thousand persons to-night, including three newspaper men, four of whom were Americans—Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore, Mr. Falk and myself. Admittance was obtained on the production of a photograph of one's self. No tickets were used. Sixty Americans were among the guests. The women were magnificently robed, especially Mrs. Potter Palmer and Miss McCook. The men wore the regulation Court dress.

The visitors were impressed with the splendor of the gilded apartments where the crown jewels and thousands of presents were exhibited on tables.

All known uniforms and every fashion of dress, from the Afghanistan's to the Scotch Highlander's, was seen, and every known form of tiara or crown was visible.

The Czar and Czarina and royal guests walked several times through the apartments.

The Czar wore a red velvet uniform and the Czarina wore a gown of pink and silver.

Dr. Mark, the Chinese Ambassador's physician, who was present, told me that the splendor far surpassed that of his Emperor's court. Dr. Mark says the Chinese representative will spend fourteen days in visiting New York, Washington and San Francisco. He leaves for Berlin at the end of this month, where he will meet Bismarck.

#### PRESENTS FOR THE CZAR.

Large Additions Made to the Almost Priceless Imperial Treasures in the Kremlin.

Moscow, May 28.—The Emperor and Empress received in the Hall of St. Andrew, in the Palace of the Kremlin, to-day, the congratulations of the foreign diplomatic body, the special envoys of the various countries sent to Moscow to represent their respective governments at the coronation, the military and naval suites of the princes and grand dukes, the civil officials, delegates representing the Cossack troops, deputations of Russian peasants and the Asiatic tribes, and representatives of the non-Christian religions.

Representatives of the Asiatic tribes bore presents of Oriental workmanship, and sometimes presented coins. Many more gifts than were presented at this reception have been received by the Czar, including very valuable offerings from the Shah of Persia and hundreds of costly gifts from the south of Russia.

The nobles of Saratov gave a magnificent silver tray, with the emblems of agriculture chased around it. In the center is a Bayard, in ancient costume, with a sword and plough in relief. The imperial arms are in diamonds. The salt

cellar which accompanies this tray is shaped like an ear of corn.

The Cossacks of Terek also gave a large tray of enamelled silver, decorated with all the arms and armor of the Cossacks. The imperial arms are in the center. The salt cellar represents a Cossack's cap. The inhabitants of the European Caucasus brought one more large tray, with the portraits of the present and late sovereigns on it.

From Siberia and the city of Omak came statues of St. Nicholas and Alexander in enamelled silver. Trays, salt cellars and sacred images were received by hundreds. All these gifts but augment the famous imperial treasures in the Kremlin.

### BURGLAR AT THE PIANO.

Plays in the Francis Flat and Steals a Diamond Ring from the Clegg Apartment.

A well-dressed man with a winning smile called yesterday morning at No. 92 West One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and made an attempt to sell some sewing machines and wash wringers. None of the tenants could be induced to purchase, but from each of the tenants he learned something about the others, and when he had made a thorough canvass of the house he left.

Mrs. Edward Clegg, who is a widow and lives with her daughter on the top floor, locked up her apartments about 10:30 o'clock and went shopping. She had recently moved into the house, and most of her effects were still packed up. On the same floor, in apartments opposite those of Mrs. Clegg, live James Francis and his family. He left home for business early yesterday morning, and soon after the man who wanted to sell machines and wringers had disappeared Mrs. Francis went out. This left all of the rooms on the top floor unoccupied.

Not long after that the tenants below heard the strains of a piano in the Francis apartments, but concluded that the person at the instrument was Mr. Francis himself. It is now known that a musical burglar was in the flat, and some think he was no other than the sewing machine agent.

He had forced open the door leading to the Francis rooms, turned everything upside down, but evidently failed to find anything he considered valuable enough to take. Then he turned his attention to the Clegg apartments, where he broke open several cases and a trunk and decamped with a \$75 diamond ring.

### HELD FOR WIFE POISONING.

Italian Woman's Suspicious Death the Cause of Her Husband's Arrest.

Leopoldo Pacella, a laborer, of No. 90 James street, and Mrs. Archangel Rita, of No. 85 Oak street, were arrested yesterday, on suspicion of having caused the death of Pacella's wife, Donato.

On Friday last Dr. Stella, of No. 385 Broome street, was called in to treat Mrs. Pacella. She was suffering with pains which, in the doctor's opinion, had been caused by poison. The husband said she had been taken down by a physician named Nicks, who had been recommended by Mrs. Rita.

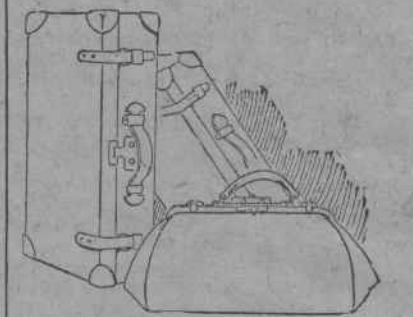
The doctor gave her some medicine and asked to be notified if she became worse, also advising the husband to notify the police. The woman died on Tuesday, and Dr. Stella refused a certificate. An examination by Coroner's Physician O'Hanlon showed that death was due to poison, and the arrest of the husband and Mrs. Rita followed. The husband declared that he

did not know the physician who treated his wife. Mrs. Rita said that it was Dr. Nicola Simone, of No. 758 Grand street, New Haven, who had prescribed for the dead woman. When arraigned in Centre Street Court yesterday Mrs. Rita was held in \$100 bail as a witness and the husband was remanded to await further developments.

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Waldorf, Old Rye (very fine).	1.44	
Claret (California) abso- lutely pure.	.28	\$2.86
Sherry (California), abso- lutely pure.	.46	\$1.49
Sherry, Royal Cabinet (im- ported).	.72	2.84
Sherry, Oloroso (imported).	.93	3.88
Sherry, Amontillado (im- ported).	1.29	5.69
Port (California).	.46	1.49
Port (Old) Sandeman (im- ported).	.93	3.88

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